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## SUPERVISOR RAMOS TO SERVE AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AGENCY

SAN BERNARDINO - On Wednesday, June 6, 2017, San Bernardino County Third District Supervisor James Ramos became Vice President of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA), an agency that serves over 2.1 million residents. The position became vacant when the former Vice President transitioned into the President role. Ramos was recommended by a seven member nominating committee consisting of one member of the County Board of Supervisors (Chairman Robert Lovingood) and two members from each of the three subareas: Mountain/Desert, East Valley, and West Valley. Ramos will serve in this capacity for one year.

Supervisor Ramos' qualifications for the position of Vice President includes serving as a former Vice Chair and Chair of the SBCTA Transit Committee, Chairman of the County of San Bernardino and Alternate Director on the Metrolink Board of Directors also known as the Southern California Regional Rail Authority. Ramos has been a strong advocate of improving the quality of life for residents by working to alleviate traffic congestion and reducing long commute times. "It is an honor to have been selected as SBCTA Vice President. I look forward to working closely with other board members and jurisdictions to accomplish SBCTA's goal of improving our regional transportation system," stated Supervisor Ramos.

The San Bernardino County Transportation Authority is responsible for cooperative regional planning and furthering an efficient multi-modal transportation system countywide. The agency is a championed supporter of freeway construction projects, regional and local road improvements, train and bus transportation, railroad crossings, managing the system of call boxes, ride-sharing, congestion management efforts, and long-term planning studies. In addition, it also serves by administering the half-cent transportation sale tax voters approved through Measure I in 1989, which allows for major transportation improvements within the county.

For more information on SBCTA please visit: www.gosbcta.com